



# *Commencement*

*Spring 2006*



# Forty-sixth Commencement

Saturday • May 20, 2006

Leggett & Platt Athletic Center



# Forty-sixth Commencement

9:30 a.m. • Saturday • May 20, 2006

Cooperative Graduate Programs

School of Business Administration • School of Education  
Bachelor of General Studies

Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance"

Elgar

Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble

Invocation

Dr. Elaine Freeman

Professor, School of Education, Missouri Southern State University

Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Julio S. León

President, Missouri Southern State University

Remarks

Dr. Julio S. León

Dr. Dean L. Hubbard

President, Northwest Missouri State University

Dr. Gregory G. Fitch

Commissioner, Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education

Senator Gary Nodler

Assistant Majority Floor Leader

Presentation of Graduate Class

Dr. Richard J. McCallum

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Missouri Southern State University

Dr. Kichoon Yang

Provost, Northwest Missouri State University

Conferring of Graduate Degrees

Dr. Dean L. Hubbard

Dr. Julio S. León

## Master's Hooding Ceremony

Alma Mater - Missouri Southern & Northwest

Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble

## Presentation of Baccalaureate Degrees

Presentation of Class

Dr. Richard J. McCallum

Conferring of Degrees

Dr. Julio S. León

## Presentation of Diplomas

Congratulatory Remarks

Dr. Nii Adote Abrahams

President, Faculty Senate, Missouri Southern State University

Announcement of Academic Honors

Dr. Richard J. McCallum

MSSU Alma Mater (See page 20)

Anna Johnson

Music Education-Vocal, Class of 2006

Benediction

Dr. Elaine Freeman

Recessional "Sine Nomine"

R. V. Williams & E. Rosenberg

Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble

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Mrs. Grace Ayton  
*Associate Professor, School of Technology, Missouri Southern State University*

Welcome, Introductions and Remarks

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*President, Missouri Southern State University*

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*Junior Music Education-Vocal, MSSU*

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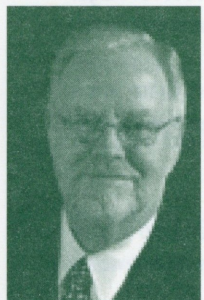


#### **DR. GREGORY G. FITCH**

Dr Gregory G. Fitch assumed the duties of Commissioner of Higher Education for the state of Missouri in January 2005.

He was the founding president of the Utah College of Applied Technology (UCAT), serving more than 60,000 students. Prior to his role at UCAT, he served as executive director for the Idaho State Board of Education. He also served in chancellor and president roles in two large community college systems, and was the vice president and dean for academic affairs in a two-year institution, which was later granted four-year degree options in South Dakota. He started his career in education and elementary and high school teacher roles in Topeka, Kansas.

Dr Fitch holds a Ph.D. in administration, curriculum and instruction from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, a M.A. in English from Emporia State University, and a B.A. in English with a minor in sociology and education from Washburn University in Topeka. He is a native of Kansas City, Missouri, a Vietnam War Veteran, and initially began his career after military service in public law enforcement in the greater Kansas City area.



#### **DR. DEAN L. HUBBARD**

Dr Dean L. Hubbard has been president of Northwest Missouri State University since 1984. Prior to his post at Northwest, he served as president of Union College, in Lincoln, Nebraska. Dr Hubbard has earned degrees from Stanford University (Ph.D.); Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea (Korean Language); and Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan (B.A. and M.A.). Dr Hubbard and his wife have three grown children.

Under Dr Hubbard's leadership, Northwest has received national attention for its "Culture of Quality" plan to improve the quality of all aspects of the institution's operations. Dr Hubbard is internationally recognized for his work in the field of total quality management (TQM), particularly in the service sector. He served from 1992-96 as a member of the Board of Examiners for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, serves on the board of the Excellence in Missouri Foundation, the Governor's Oversight Panel for Quality in Missouri Government, and chaired the Judge's Panel for the Missouri Quality Award.

In 1998 he received the Missouri Governor's Quality Leadership Award. He chaired the AAHE Academic Quality Consortium and is a member of the TQ Leadership Steering Committee and the American Society for Quality Control. He regularly lectures and conducts workshops on the topic of quality improvement.



#### **SEN. GARY NODLER**

A native of Neosho, Sen. Nodler graduated from Missouri Southern State University in 1972 with a B.A. in Political Science. A member of the American Legion, Sen. Nodler served in the United States Army and the Missouri National Guard. He was Congressman Gene Taylor's district staff director from 1973 to 1988. President Bush appointed Sen. Nodler to serve as Regional Administrator for the United States Small Business Administration in 1989, a post he held until January of 1993.

In November of 2002, Gary Nodler won election as a Republican to the Missouri Senate, representing the 32nd District, which includes Dade, Jasper and Newton counties.

Sen. Nodler is currently Assistant Majority Floor Leader, Chair of the Education Committee, and Vice Chair of the Appropriations Committee.

In 2003, Sen. Nodler sponsored Senate Bill 55 and directed its successful passage in the General Assembly. The historic legislation changed the name of Missouri Southern State College to Missouri Southern State University and also established the mechanism by which Missouri universities could partner and jointly offer graduate degrees.

Sen. Nodler was named MSSU Outstanding Alumnus in 2003.



#### **DR. JULIO S. LEÓN**

Dr Julio S. León has served as President of MSSU since 1982, one of the longest Presidencies at one institution in the nation. During his administration, Missouri Southern has developed an award-winning International Mission that is internationally recognized. A unique aspect of the international program is the themed semesters offered each fall. Fall 2006 will be "The France Semester."

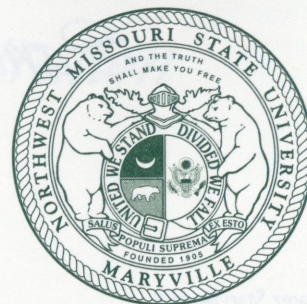
Active on the national education scene, Dr León has served as Chairman of the Board for the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU), one of the nation's largest higher education organizations, and as a board member for the American Council on Education (ACE). He also served as vice president for the United States in the International Organization of Higher Education, a group representing 400 universities throughout the Americas.

In the community, Dr León has served on the boards of numerous civic organizations and in 1993, he and his wife, Vivian, were named "Citizens of the Year" by the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce.





# Cooperative Graduate Programs



## Missouri Southern State University/Northwest Missouri State University Master of Science in Education

**Berning, Carrisa Dawn \***

Teaching: Instructional Technology  
El Dorado Springs

**Burgess, Don L.**

Teaching: Instructional Technology  
Springfield

**Moss, Stephen Michael \***

Teaching: Instructional Technology  
Commerce, OK

**Moss, Stacy Kirsten \***

Teaching: Early Childhood Education  
Commerce, OK

**Smith, Misty Lee \***

Teaching: Early Childhood Education  
Galena, KS

**Wallace, Christie Donna \***

Teaching: Early Childhood Education  
Carthage

Missouri Southern State University's forty-sixth commencement ceremony marks a historic event for the University and its students. The first graduates of the first cooperative master's program are being recognized. The accomplishments of these students was made possible when MSSU and Northwest Missouri State University collaborated to provide residents of the Four-States region with an opportunity to earn advanced degrees in Early Childhood Education and Instructional Technology. The two institutions combined resources to deliver the programs with traditional classroom teaching and state-of-the-art online learning tools using faculty from both institutions.

Effective August 2003, the Missouri General Assembly passed legislation giving Missouri Southern State University the opportunity to offer the joint graduate programs in cooperation with other public four-year institutions in the State of Missouri (RSMo 173.005). The legislative effort was lead by Sen. Gary Nodler in the Senate and Rep. Bryan Stevenson in the House. Others working to pass the legislation included Rep. Steve Hunter, Rep. Ron Richard, Rep. Kevin Wilson and Rep. Marilyn Ruestman. The legislation was signed into law by Gov. Bob Holden.

The Coordinating Board for Higher Education oversaw the implementation of the cooperative programs to ensure the most efficient use of state resources and the highest quality of advanced educational opportunities.

During the ceremony, the presentation of the academic hood to master's degree recipients represents a powerful, highly symbolic moment in both the candidates' lives and in the commencement ceremony. The hooding ceremony for the cooperative graduate programs at Missouri Southern State University signifies a scholarly and personal achievement. Colors of the hoods were carefully selected to represent both institutions and the corresponding fields of study. The names of both universities appear on the graduates' diplomas. The symbolism and significance of academic regalia appear on page 21

To fulfill its mission and to meet the needs of the growing population and economy of the region, Missouri Southern is pursuing similar collaborative programs with the University of Missouri — Kansas City for advanced degrees in nursing and dental hygiene, Southeast Missouri State University for a master's program in criminal justice and Missouri State University for a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) degree. We expect to celebrate with graduates from each of those programs in the near future.



# Candidates for Honors & Degrees

## Baccalaureate Degrees

### Summa Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.90 or above

Alvarez, Staci Marie ‡  
Armstrong, Shirley Anne  
Avery, Heidi Dawn  
Ball, Amzel Rochelle \* ‡  
Basye, Jerome \*  
Bemo, Rachel Renelle  
Branum, Susana Kate †  
Burchfield, Rebekah N. \*  
Burleson, Clayton Randall

Castle, Iashia Shante †  
Clarkson, Bobby Jean †  
Dickinson, Candice Renee  
Eckhart, Ashley Kaye †  
Feather, Dusty Todd  
Gallemore, Caleb Tyrell †  
Gibson, Sara Lynn ‡  
Goans, Laura Elizabeth  
Hoover, Meghan Nicole

Iaru, Stefan †  
Jenny, Matthew David ‡  
Krueger, Krista Nichole  
Kuhl, Katherine Holly  
Lambeth, Ashley Dawn †  
Littlefield, Sheila A. ‡  
McMunn, Kim Denise  
Peters, Jenny Marie ‡ †  
Reiboldt, Kathleen Ann

Salsbury, Sara Layne †  
Sapp, Elizabeth Kathleen †  
Schlink, Sarah Nicole  
Stephens, Vanessa N.  
Tate, Cortney Elaine \* †  
White, Jennica Brinn †  
Whyte, Bryan Michael

## Magna Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Blankenship, Amber Briana †  
Bruton, Erin Leigh  
Delaney, Kristina Jane \*  
Elbert, Holly Constance  
Fiddler, James Clayton  
Friga, Kelli Jeanette

Gerlach, Thomas James †  
Gleason, Michael David  
Hathaway, LaDawn Chere \*  
Hilton, Heather Dawn †  
Jackson, Rhonda K.

Jones, Daniel Alden  
Kress, Genii Lee  
Miller, William Benton  
Rogers, Teresa Marie  
Schuster, Mary Lynn

Stanford, Callie Ann  
Stout, Irina A.  
Thompson, Sarah T.  
Watkins, Tessie Kay  
Watson, Carol Marie  
Zerkel, Kimberly Blair

## Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Ballew, Linda Kay  
Barker, Kelli Diane  
Billings, Nate James †  
Britt, Danny Ray  
Browning, Serena Renee

Doss, Deborah Raines  
Edwards, Jenna Elizabeth †  
Fenix, Karla S.  
Hess, Pamela Sue  
Humphrey, Kyle Justin

Huser, Amber Rochelle  
Jimenez, Jacqueline Veronica \*  
Khan, Nabila Yunus †  
Kimes, Christopher Aaron  
Lansdown, Casey Janell †

Lockard, Breanna Nicole  
Orr, Stacy Catherine  
Parrigon, Sarah Ann  
Sharp, Linda Dianne

## Associate Degrees

### First Honors

Grade Point Average 3.90 or above

Burns, Richard Harrison

Potts, Tricia Chanae

### Second Honors

Grade Point Average 3.80 - 3.89

Braker, David J.

### Third Honors

Grade Point Average 3.70 - 3.79

Armstrong, Sarah Ann

Wells, Bernadean Arlene



# School of Business Administration

## Bachelor of Science

**Basye, Jerome NMI**  
Management Technology  
Joplin

**Gleason, Michael David**  
Management Technology  
Columbus, KS

**Hughes, Jennifer Nichole**  
Management Technology  
Joplin

## Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

**Adams, Jennifer Marie**  
Marketing/Management  
Neosho

**Adams, Lisa Kay**  
Management  
Goodman

**Alford, Jason Michael**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Alford, Julia Danelle**  
Management  
Joplin

**Ames, Scott William**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Armstrong, Shirley Anne**  
Accounting  
Noel

**Bates, Jeffrey Murl**  
Marketing  
Golden City

**Bates, Kendal L.**  
General Business  
Wheaton

**Boatright, David Lee**  
General Business  
Carthage

**Brewer, Bob J.**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Brunnert, Casey Lea \***  
Accounting  
Carthage

**Burleson, Clayton Randall**  
Marketing  
Neosho

**Burnett, Tambra K.**  
Accounting  
Quapaw, OK

**Cash, Deborah Ann**  
General Business  
Diamond

**Castle, Iashia Shante †**  
Accounting/Management  
Kansas City

**Clayton, Caleb Alan \***  
Accounting/International Business  
Cassville

**Cleveland, Karen Renee \***  
Management  
Lamar

**Crawford, Derek Robert**  
Accounting  
Webb City

**Crissman, Sean Alan**  
Accounting  
Joplin

**Daniel, Mary Leann**  
Accounting  
Monett

**Decker, Carol Ann**  
Finance and Economics  
Joplin

**Denton, Kimberly Marie**  
International Business  
St. Joseph

**DeSpain, Kathy R.**  
Accounting  
Nevada

**Dickinson, Candice Renee**  
Finance and Economics  
Joplin

**Dickinson, Graham William**  
Finance and Economics  
Joplin

**Dix, Jonathan Gene**  
General Business  
Springfield

**Dunning, Sherrie M.**  
Accounting/Finance and Economics  
Aurora

**Fanning, Kelly Ranonn**  
Marketing  
Joplin

**Farris, Carrie LeAnne**  
Management  
Purdy

**Franklin, Leslie Lynne**  
Management/General Business  
Carthage

**Friga, Kelli Jeanette**  
Marketing/Management  
Webb City

**Frost, Rene Lynn**  
Management  
Afton, OK

**Glover, Toney R.**  
Management  
Joplin

**Griffith, Darla Marie \***  
Management  
Pierce City

**Gronewold, Jonathan L.**  
Finance and Economics  
Joplin

**Guilford, Jennifer Lynn \***  
Management  
Joplin

**Habbena, Ryan**  
Accounting  
Carl Junction

**Haddock, Kevin L. \***  
General Business  
Neosho

**Harbin, William Randall**  
Accounting  
Oronogo

**Hargis, Brittany D.**  
General Business  
Tulsa, OK

**Hess, Pamela Sue**  
Accounting  
Columbus, KS

**Hill, Patrick Robert**  
Marketing  
Lee's Summit

**Hobson, Kasey L.**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Holden, Erin Denise \***  
General Business  
Neosho



**Holliday, Andrew Stephen**  
Management  
Carthage

**Holt, Lindsey Amanda \* †**  
Marketing  
Joplin

**House, Kristina Dawn**  
Management  
Carl Junction

**Huser, Amber Rochelle**  
International Business  
Lockwood

**Jackson, Samantha Leona**  
Finance and Economics  
Tortola, British Virgin Islands

**Jenkins, Brett N.**  
General Business  
Neosho

**Jenny, Matthew David ‡**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Landers, Crystal Marie**  
Accounting  
Anderson

**Laster, Vincent James**  
Marketing  
Neosho

**Lefebvre, Paige A.**  
Marketing  
Carl Junction

**Leinneweber, Becky Lynn \***  
General Business  
Joplin

**Lemmons, Tracy G.**  
Marketing  
Joplin

**Maples, Natalie Jean**  
Accounting  
Montezuma, KS

**Marks, Nicholas Joseph**  
Accounting  
Pryor, OK

**Martin, Blake Glen**  
General Business  
Anderson

**Matlock, Michelle Dianne**  
Accounting  
Wyandotte, OK

**McGrew, Kelli Marie**  
Management  
Joplin

**McNeal, Melissa K.**  
Management  
Springfield

**Miller, Angela F.**  
Management  
Marionville

**Miller, Jana Lynn \***  
Marketing  
Joplin

**Miller, William Benton**  
Management  
Webb City

**Misiko, Christabel Mutenyo \***  
Marketing  
Mombasa, Kenya  
Joplin

**Myers, Victoria Elizabeth**  
Accounting  
Joplin

**Newberry, Robert Stewart \***  
General Business  
El Dorado Springs

**Nguyen, Tan Minh**  
Accounting  
Joplin

**Njome, Alain Georges**  
International Business  
Yaounde, Cameroon  
Joplin

**Obaideen, Feras Abdeen \***  
International Business  
Joplin

**Peluso, Michael Keith \***  
Accounting  
Webb City

**Pena, Jason John**  
Finance and Economics  
Webb City

**Pierre, Jacky**  
Accounting  
Port au Prince, Haiti  
Joplin

**Pittman, Cynthia Marie**  
General Business  
Fairview

**Powell, Hayley Renee**  
Marketing  
Joplin

**Prudlick, Brandy Michelle**  
Marketing  
Joplin

**Reineke, Megan Mary**  
Management  
Joplin

**Reutlinger, Dacie Dee**  
General Business/Management  
Owasso, OK

**Richardson, Jason Ryan**  
Management  
Joplin

**Rogers, Teresa Marie**  
Accounting  
Joplin

**Rutledge, Kyle Taylor**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Scheirer, Lacey Anne**  
General Business  
West Peoria, IL

**Schrader, Clista Wynea**  
Management  
Seneca

**Schuster, Mary Lynn**  
General Business  
Neosho

**Silveira, Marcus Vinicius**  
International Business  
Teresina, Piaui, Brazil  
Joplin

**Skaggs, Sarah Jane \***  
Marketing  
Monett

**Smith, Valencia Benecia**  
General Business  
Tortola, British Virgin Islands

**Stafford, Erin Annette**  
Marketing/Management  
Siloam Springs, AR

**Starchman, Julie Lani**  
General Business  
Galena, KS

**Stout, Irina A.**  
Accounting  
Reeds

**Talbert, Tina M.**  
Management  
Neosho

**Taylor, Garrett Nelson †**  
Finance and Economics  
Jasper

**Taylor, Jeffrey James †**  
Management  
Webb City

**Thomason, Sarah Beth \***  
Accounting  
Carthage

**Tole, David Mwawuganga**  
Management/International Business  
Mombasa, Kenya  
Joplin

**Tournear, Marla Kay**  
Management  
Webb City

**Van Houtan, Todd Eric \***  
Marketing  
Joplin

**Vavilova, Galina P.**  
Accounting  
Union of Soviet Socialist Republic  
Carthage

**Wardlow, Jeremy David \***  
Management  
Cleveland

**West, John Paul**  
Marketing  
Broken Arrow, OK

**Wilson, Kacy Lynn**  
Management  
Neosho

**Winnett, Timothy D.**  
Management  
Joplin

**Wyler, Shelby Morgan**  
Marketing/General Business  
Joplin



# School of Education

## Bachelor of Arts

**Bond, Cody Lee**

Psychology  
Nevada

**Cox, Sarah Elizabeth**

Psychology  
Joplin

**Hoggard, Tabitha M.**

Psychology  
Seneca

**Tillery, Karen Gail**

Psychology  
Rich Hill

**Brown, Amber Nicole \***

Psychology  
Joplin

## Bachelor of Science

**Addison, Amy Rae**

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Owensville

**Elkins, Charles Allen**

Psychology  
Joplin

**Ledford, Nicole Anaise**

Psychology  
Joplin

**Tate, Courtney Elaine \* †**

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Norwood

**Barker, Kelli Diane**

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Coffeyville, KS

**Gastel, Sara Lynn \***

Psychology  
Jasper

**Lipscomb, David Tate**

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Carthage

**Terry, Christopher Eric**

Psychology  
Neosho

**Beauvais, Jaylee Dawn**

Psychology  
Neosho

**Hailey, Ariane Elizabeth**

Psychology  
Joplin

**Mengel, Lindsay Marie**

Psychology  
Lamar

**Tournear, Marla Kay \***

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Webb City

**Bergman, Nichole Ann**

Psychology  
Cassville

**Hathaway, LaDawn Cherie \***

Psychology  
Neosho

**Nevins, Kari Dawn**

Psychology  
Joplin

**Trotnic, Kandy Nicole \***

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Parsons, KS

**Cagle, Amanda Michelle \***

Psychology  
Webb City

**Horn, Melissa DeAnn Towers**

Psychology  
Pierce City

**Pugh, Eugene John**

Psychology  
Carl Junction

**Washington, Ashley Dawn \***

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Joplin

**Clements, Ashley Megan \***

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Arkansas City, KS

**Horner, Daniel Lee**

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Adrian

**Robotham, Christopher Matthew \***

Psychology  
St. Louis

**Winfield, Robert Ryan \***

Psychology  
Joplin

**Cline, Madeline Jean**

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Excelsior Springs

**Killingsworth, Desiree Nicole**

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Dadeville

**Stewart, Michelle Lee**

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Drexel

**Dotson, Sarah Elizabeth \***

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Carthage

**Lansdown, Casey Janell †**

Health Promotion and Wellness  
Joplin

**Stockholm, Travis James \***

Psychology  
Springfield, SD



# Bachelor of Science in Education

**Avery, Heidi Dawn**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Baugh, Trisha Lynn**  
Elementary Education  
Carthage

**Billings, April Lynn**  
Mathematics Education  
Carl Junction

**Blankenship, Amber Briana** †  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Brewer, Brandice JoAnne**  
Elementary Education  
Stark City

**Browning, Serena Renee**  
Elementary Education  
Cleora, OK

**Bruegel, Sonya Nicole**  
Elementary Education  
Seneca

**Bruton, Erin Leigh**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Carr, Norman Christopher**  
Theatre/Speech Communications  
Spanish Education  
Purcell

**Cornshucker, Morgan Michelle**  
Elementary Education  
Terlton, OK

**Cox, Arthur Duane**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Crahan, Angela Marie**  
Elementary Education  
Jasper

**Depoe, Joshua Luke**  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Durborow, Angela Denean**  
Business Education  
Miami, OK

**Eckhart, Ashley Kaye** †  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Elbert, Holly C.**  
Mathematics Education  
Seneca

**Evans, Stephanie Lynn**  
Elementary Education  
Columbus, KS

**Feather, Dusty Todd**  
Elementary Education  
Sarcoxie

**Fiddler, James Clayton**  
Elementary Education  
Miami, OK

**Gibson, Sara Lynn** ‡  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Goans, Laura Elizabeth**  
Elementary Education  
Lebanon

**Gozia, Sarah Elizabeth**  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Graves, Joey Lee**  
Physical Education  
Verona

**Greenstreet, Lois Ann**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Greer, Stacy Ann**  
Elementary Education  
Goodman

**Gubera, Brenden Shawn**  
Social Science Education  
Joplin

**Hancock, Suzanne Nichole**  
Elementary Education  
Milo

**Hartman, Angela Suzanne**  
Elementary Education  
Lebanon

**Hilburn, Cody Wayne**  
Physical Education  
Neosho

**Hill, Mary Sue Mahurin**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Hodson, Haley Elizabeth**  
Social Science Education  
Joplin

**Holt, Matthew James**  
Social Science Education  
Joplin

**Hoover, Meghan Nicole**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Ivie, Magan Marie**  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Jackson, Ryan E.**  
Business Education  
Carl Junction

**Janssen, Nancy Camille**  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Johnson, Anna Elizabeth**  
Music Education  
Lamar

**Johnson, Elizabeth Ann**  
Elementary Education  
Neosho

**Keele, Lisa D.**  
Social Science Education  
Joplin

**Kehrer, April Adair**  
Elementary Education  
Mesa, AZ

**Kress, Genii Lee**  
Art Education  
Miami, OK

**Krueger, Krista Nichole**  
Elementary Education  
Monett

**Lambeth, Ashley Dawn** †  
Elementary Education  
Reeds

**Leister, Tabitha Nicole**  
Social Science Education  
Amsterdam

**Littlefield Sheila A.** ‡  
Elementary Education  
Diamond

**Lockard, Breanna Nicole**  
Elementary Education  
Carthage

**McAfee, Tina**  
Business Education  
Carl Junction

**Mounts, Tara Beth**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Orr, Stacy Catherine**  
Elementary Education  
Mt. Vernon

**Osborne, Jacob Olyn**  
Middle School Education  
Carthage

**Payne, Daphne A.**  
Middle School Education  
Carthage

**Peffly, Amanda Lea**  
Elementary Education  
Welch, OK

**Reed, Aaron Marie**  
Social Science Education  
Webb City

**Reiboldt, Kathleen Ann**  
English Education  
Neosho

**Reisner, Tera Michelle**  
Physical Education  
San Angelo, TX

**Rice, Forrest Dale**  
Physical Education  
Sarcoxie

**Robertson, Jr., Anthony Keith**  
English Education  
Joplin

**Ross, Brooke Dianna**  
Elementary Education  
Stotts City

**Sapp, Elizabeth Kathleen** ‡  
Elementary Education  
Granby

**Scriven, Aaron M.**  
Music Education  
Joplin



**Sharp, Linda Dianne**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Skiles, Sarah Elizabeth**  
Elementary Education  
Purdy

**Spector, Karrie Beth**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Stanford, Callie Ann**  
English Education  
Webb City

**Stokes, Christa Lynn**  
Elementary Education  
Duenweg

**Tarvin, Jamie Lynn**  
Middle School Education  
Butler

**Theissen, Tracy Lynn**  
Mathematics Education  
Mustang, OK

**Tyndall, Sabrina Marie**  
Middle School Education  
Oronogo

**Watkins, Tessie Kay**  
Elementary Education  
El Dorado Springs

**Weldy, Clayton Eugene**  
Social Science Education  
Aurora

**White, Derick Joseph**  
Social Science Education  
Asbury

**Whyte, Bryan Michael**  
Theatre/Speech Communications  
Education  
Webb City

**Woolard, Alese Ann**  
Unified Science Biology Education  
Claremore, OK

## ***Bachelor of General Studies***

**Branstetter, Chris Lee**  
General Studies  
Purdy

**Collins, Brenna Leigh**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Ducommun, Waverly Faith \***  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Foster, Julie A. \***  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Gillespie, Tony Desmond**  
General Studies  
Coweta, OK

**Hunley-Harraman, Rachel Joy**  
General Studies  
Webb City

**Jones, Elise Jennifer**  
General Studies  
Mt. Vernon

**Kriekhaus, Lori Ann**  
General Studies  
Racine

**Mathes, DeMarcus M.**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**McMunn, Kim Denise**  
General Studies  
Parsons, KS

**Muehler, Chad David \***  
General Studies  
Carl Junction

**Osborne, Amanda Marie**  
General Studies  
Lamar

**Overton, Tracey Jo**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Prince, Mary J. \***  
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Joplin

**Rapp-Hall, Jacque Delane \***  
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Carl Junction

**Ritter, Robyn Rene \***  
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Joplin

**Rogers, Diesha J. \***  
General Studies  
Neosho

**Salsman, Sandra Michelle**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Shyers, David L.**  
General Studies  
Miami, OK

**Slean, Mary Elizabeth**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Springston, Ashlee Rose \***  
General Studies  
Springdale, AR

**Taylor, Shanda R.**  
General Studies  
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**Tevis, Andrew Holladay**  
General Studies  
Rathdrum, ID

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General Studies  
Joplin

**Turner, Erin Nicole**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Weathers, Kendria Laurell**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Widner, Melissa Ann**  
General Studies  
Duenweg

**Williamson, Rhonda Gay**  
General Studies  
Baxter Springs, KS



# Bachelor of Science in Education

**Avery, Heidi Dawn**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Baugh, Trisha Lynn**  
Elementary Education  
Carthage

**Billings, April Lynn**  
Mathematics Education  
Carl Junction

**Blankenship, Amber Briana** †  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Brewer, Brandice JoAnne**  
Elementary Education  
Stark City

**Browning, Serena Renee**  
Elementary Education  
Cleora, OK

**Bruegel, Sonya Nicole**  
Elementary Education  
Seneca

**Bruton, Erin Leigh**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Carr, Norman Christopher**  
Theatre/Speech Communications  
Spanish Education  
Purcell

**Cornshucker, Morgan Michelle**  
Elementary Education  
Terlton, OK

**Cox, Arthur Duane**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Crahan, Angela Marie**  
Elementary Education  
Jasper

**Depoe, Joshua Luke**  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Durborow, Angela Denean**  
Business Education  
Miami, OK

**Eckhart, Ashley Kaye** †  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Elbert, Holly C.**  
Mathematics Education  
Seneca

**Evans, Stephanie Lynn**  
Elementary Education  
Columbus, KS

**Feather, Dusty Todd**  
Elementary Education  
Sarcoxie

**Fiddler, James Clayton**  
Elementary Education  
Miami, OK

**Gibson, Sara Lynn** ‡  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Goans, Laura Elizabeth**  
Elementary Education  
Lebanon

**Gozia, Sarah Elizabeth**  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Graves, Joey Lee**  
Physical Education  
Verona

**Greenstreet, Lois Ann**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Greer, Stacy Ann**  
Elementary Education  
Goodman

**Gubera, Brenden Shawn**  
Social Science Education  
Joplin

**Hancock, Suzanne Nichole**  
Elementary Education  
Milo

**Hartman, Angela Suzanne**  
Elementary Education  
Lebanon

**Hilburn, Cody Wayne**  
Physical Education  
Neosho

**Hill, Mary Sue Mahurin**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Hodson, Haley Elizabeth**  
Social Science Education  
Joplin

**Holt, Matthew James**  
Social Science Education  
Joplin

**Hoover, Meghan Nicole**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Ivie, Magan Marie**  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Jackson, Ryan E.**  
Business Education  
Carl Junction

**Janssen, Nancy Camille**  
Elementary Education  
Webb City

**Johnson, Anna Elizabeth**  
Music Education  
Lamar

**Johnson, Elizabeth Ann**  
Elementary Education  
Neosho

**Keele, Lisa D.**  
Social Science Education  
Joplin

**Kehrer, April Adair**  
Elementary Education  
Mesa, AZ

**Kress, Genii Lee**  
Art Education  
Miami, OK

**Krueger, Krista Nichole**  
Elementary Education  
Monett

**Lambeth, Ashley Dawn** †  
Elementary Education  
Reeds

**Leister, Tabitha Nicole**  
Social Science Education  
Amsterdam

**Littlefield Sheila A.** ‡  
Elementary Education  
Diamond

**Lockard, Breanna Nicole**  
Elementary Education  
Carthage

**McAfee, Tina**  
Business Education  
Carl Junction

**Mounts, Tara Beth**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Orr, Stacy Catherine**  
Elementary Education  
Mt. Vernon

**Osborne, Jacob Olyn**  
Middle School Education  
Carthage

**Payne, Daphne A.**  
Middle School Education  
Carthage

**Peffly, Amanda Lea**  
Elementary Education  
Welch, OK

**Reed, Aaron Marie**  
Social Science Education  
Webb City

**Reiboldt, Kathleen Ann**  
English Education  
Neosho

**Reisner, Tera Michelle**  
Physical Education  
San Angelo, TX

**Rice, Forrest Dale**  
Physical Education  
Sarcoxie

**Robertson, Jr., Anthony Keith**  
English Education  
Joplin

**Ross, Brooke Dianna**  
Elementary Education  
Stotts City

**Sapp, Elizabeth Kathleen** ‡  
Elementary Education  
Granby

**Scriven, Aaron M.**  
Music Education  
Joplin



**Sharp, Linda Dianne**  
Elementary Education  
Joplin

**Skiles, Sarah Elizabeth**  
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General Studies  
Joplin

**Widner, Melissa Ann**  
General Studies  
Duenweg

**Williamson, Rhonda Gay**  
General Studies  
Baxter Springs, KS



# School of Arts & Sciences

## Bachelor of Arts

**Alvarez, Staci Marie ‡**

*History*  
Neosho

**Barker, Matthew Kirk**

*History*  
Riverton, KS

**Beckner, Barry Alvin**

*History*  
Joplin

**Billings, Nate J. †**

*Communication/German*  
Pierce City

**Bishop, Derek Lee**

*Music*  
Joplin

**Branum, Susana Kate †**

*Communication/Spanish*  
Monett

**Brown, Auriel Ebonie \***

*Communication*  
Joplin

**Brown, Cody Joe**

*English*  
Carterville

**Burchfield, Rebekah N. \***

*Political Science*  
Neosho

**Busse, Stephenie Lynn \***

*Communication*  
Joplin

**DeLaney, Kristina Jane \***

*Political Science*  
Nevada

**Denton, Kimberly Marie**

*Spanish*  
St. Joseph

**Ducommun, Eric Brandis**

*Spanish*  
Carl Junction

**Elam, Gregory Robert \***

*Communication*  
Neosho

**Emory, Della M. \***

*Communication*  
Carthage

**Farrar, Amber Rachelle**

*Communication*  
Joplin

**Fast, Adam Gregory**

*Communication*  
Webb City

**Freeman, Tiffany Nicole \***

*Art*  
Joplin

**Gallemore, Caleb Tyrell †**

*International Studies*  
Seneca

**Gerlach, Thomas J. †**

*Communication*  
Tulsa, OK

**Hansen, Diana Marie \***

*Art*  
Joplin

**Hare, Jason Andrew \***

*Music*  
Joplin

**Hite, Matthew Scott**

*Political Science*  
Joplin

**Huser, Amber Rochelle**

*Spanish*  
Lockwood

**Jackson, Rhonda K.**

*Art*  
Lamar

**Jimenez, Jacqueline Veronica \***

*Political Science*  
Neosho

**Johnson, Cemma Katherine**

*Communication*  
Granby

**Johnson, Rebekah June**

*Political Science*  
Lamar

**Knapp, Jason Dean**

*Political Science*  
Neosho

**Kress, Genii Lee**

*Art*  
Miami, OK

**Kuhl, Katherine Holly**

*Political Science*  
Pierce City

**Njoume, Alain Georges**

*French*  
Yaounde, Cameroon  
Joplin

**Patterson, Amy Lynn**

*Art*  
Goodman

**Peron, Mark Edward**

*Political Science*  
Joplin

**Petersen-Patrick, Gina Desiree**

*Art*  
Neosho

**Roper, Russell S. \***

*Communication*  
Joplin

**Rosado-Hawley, Robin Leigh**

*Sociology*  
Carl Junction

**Rutledge, Melissa Diane**

*Theatre*  
Duenweg

**Stevenson, Michael F.**

*Spanish*  
Neosho

**Tennison, Renae Dawn**

*Communication*  
Ozark

**Thompson, Sarah T.**

*Communication*  
Joplin

**Thompson, Shawn Dale**

*English*  
Joplin

**Tucker, Branden Wayne**

*Theatre*  
Independence

**Von Canon, Rachel Margaret**

*English*  
Golden City

**Wade, Michelle Marie**

*English*  
Joplin

**Walters, Scott Kemp**

*Communication*  
Joplin

**Watson, Carol Marie**

*Spanish*  
Clever

**White, Jennica Brinn ‡**

*Music*  
Catoosa, OK

**Whited, Melissa Anne**

*Political Science*  
Joplin

**Wolfe, Bobbie J.**

*Communication*  
Joplin

**Woods, Travis Scott \***

*English*  
Aurora

**Zerkel, Kimberly Blair**

*English/French*  
Joplin



# Bachelor of Science

**Adamson, Jeffrey L.**

*Political Science*  
Carl Junction

**Alexander, Anthony J.**

*Biology*  
Pierce City

**Ball, Amzel Rochelle \*†**

*Biology*  
Neosho

**Brewer, Bob J.**

*Chemistry*  
Joplin

**Brigham II, Steven Allen**

*Sociology*  
Webb City

**Bullette, Linda Rene**

*Sociology*  
Joplin

**Clark, Elizabeth Jayan**

*Biology*  
Webb City

**Collins, Mary K.**

*Environmental Health*  
Miami, OK

**Cook, Brenda Sue \***

*Environmental Health/Biology*  
Carl Junction

**Courtney, Kayla Dawn \***

*Biology*  
Joplin

**Cullum, Amber Nicole**

*Biology*  
Joplin

**Dalglish, David James**

*Mathematics*  
Monett

**Doss, Deborah Raines**

*Sociology*  
Joplin

**Duren, Sheila Rena**

*Sociology*  
Joplin

**Elbert, Holly Constance**

*Mathematics*  
Seneca

**Faal, Tutty Isatou**

*Biology*  
Serrekunda, The Gambia  
Claremont, CA

**Ferdig, Kevin Tyler**

*Biology*  
Noel

**Harris, Jacilyn Lorraine**

*Political Science*  
Neosho

**Heisten, Jacob Ryan \***

*Political Science*  
Carthage

**Herbert, Jeremiah S.**

*Biology*  
Seneca

**Howell, Stacey Renee**

*Sociology*  
Branson

**Johnson, Marci Nicole**

*Biology*  
Winona

**Jones, Christen Marie †**

*Biology*  
Branson

**Jones, Daniel Alden**

*Biology*  
Reeds

**Keppeler, Joshua Lee**

*Mathematics*  
Webb City

**Khan, Nabila Younus †**

*Biology*  
Bengazi, Libya  
Joplin

**Larsen, Madelaine Antoinette**

*Biology*  
Joplin

**Marlett, Brandon David**

*Chemistry*  
Joplin

**McLaughlin, Daryl G.**

*Sociology*  
Joplin

**Morey, Aimee M. †**

*Chemistry*  
Joplin

**Neely, Frank Edward \***

*Political Science*  
Joplin

**Parrigon, Sarah Ann**

*Biology*  
Joplin

**Peebles, Nicole Melissa**

*Sociology*  
Neosho

**Peters, Jenny Marie ‡ †**

*Mathematics*  
Lamar

**Rider, Les R. \***

*Political Science*  
Joplin

**Salsbury, Sara Layne †**

*Biology*  
Webb City

**Schlink, Sarah Nicole**

*Biology*  
Lamar

**Skinner, David Michael**

*Biology*  
Republic

**Smith, Matthew Curtis**

*Sociology*  
Joplin

**Smothers, Christine S. \***

*Sociology*  
Carthage

**Taylor, Joshua Scott**

*Chemistry*  
Cleveland

**Tillery, Kathryn Mae \***

*Sociology*  
Rich Hill

**Tilton, Ryan Patrice**

*Biology*  
Webb City

**Todd, Daniel L.**

*Biology*  
Leeton

**Wells, Sommer Dawn**

*Environmental Health*  
Exeter

**Williams, Joel David**

*Environmental Health*  
Joplin

**Wilson, Kelly Jean**

*Sociology*  
Grove, OK



# School of Technology

## Bachelor of Science

**Ansley, Alyssa J.**

Nursing  
Webb City

**Artinger, Stephanie Michele**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Joplin

**Bailey, Garaleah Lynn**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Newtonia

**Baker, Matthew John**

Nursing  
Joplin

**Ballew, Linda Kay**

Nursing  
Joplin

**Beezley, Anastasia Noel**

Nursing  
Joplin

**Bemo, Rachel Renelle**

Nursing  
Joplin

**Birner, Joe Alan**

Computer Information Science  
Neosho

**Bredar, Nicole K.**

Medical Technology  
Springfield

**Britt, Danny Ray**

Computer Information Science  
Seneca

**Browning, John M.**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Joplin

**Bryant, Michelle Rene \***

Health Science  
Carl Junction

**Byrd, Janine Marie**

Nursing  
San Andres Island, Congo, Colombia  
Carthage

**Calhoun, Jr., Gary D.**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Joplin

**Campbell, Matthew Stephen**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Worthington, IN

**Clark, Kenny Levon**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Marceline

**Clark, Trisha G.**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Marceline

**Clarkson Green, Bobby Jean †**

Computer Information Science  
Walnut, KS

**Cole, Jennifer Joann**

Nursing  
Neosho

**Connor, Julie Lynn**

Health Science  
Joplin

**Cox, Ashley Erin**

Health Science  
Clever

**Cravens, Carrie Ann**

Nursing  
Blue Springs

**Crouch, Rebecca Lee**

Nursing  
Greenfield

**Crupper, Jill Anne**

Nursing  
Neosho

**Daulton, Aaron Brent**

Nursing  
Joplin

**DeGraffenreid, Chad Morris Lee**

Industrial Engineering Technology  
Webb City

**Eaton, Joseph Neil \***

Criminal Justice Administration  
Monett

**Edwards, Jenna Elizabeth \* †**

Health Science  
Joplin

**Elbert, Sarah Rachael**

Nursing  
Pierce City

**Fenix, Karla S.**

Nursing  
Sarcoxie

**Gallemore, Chad Douglas**

Computer Information Science  
Neosho

**Gibson, Lorrie S.**

Nursing  
Carthage

**Gibson, Martha Elaine**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Joplin

**Gish, Amanda Ann**

Computer Forensics  
Computer Information Science  
Joplin

**Griffin, Brenda Sue \***

Criminal Justice Administration  
Joplin

**Griffin, Micah Wayne**

Computer Information Science  
Computational Mathematics  
Seneca

**Hamilton, Jordan Ryan**

Computer Forensics  
Criminal Justice Administration  
Carthage

**Harshaw, Rebecca K.**

Health Science  
Sarcoxie

**Hightower, Jewelene**

Nursing  
Neosho

**Hill, Helena Patricia**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Carthage

**Hilton, Heather Dawn †**

Nursing  
Ozark

**Hoffman, Denise Desiree**

Nursing  
Carl Junction

**Humphrey, Kyle Justin**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Hume

**Iaru, Stefan †**

Computer Information Science  
Bacau, Romania  
Joplin

**Irwin, Nicole Lynette**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Columbus, KS

**Jaramillo, Hugo**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Joplin

**Jones, Joseph Clark**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Joplin

**Karki, Melinda M.**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Joplin

**Ketchum, Schyler Lee**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Fort Scott, KS

**Kimes, Christohper Aaron**

Criminal Justice Administration  
West Plains

**Kissinger, Abbie Rachel \***

Criminal Justice Administration  
Newton, KS

**Kloeckener, Mark J.**

Nursing  
Joplin

**Kuenzel, Jill Marie \***

Health Science  
Washington

**Kuticka, Christy June**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Republic

**Langland, Lindsay Nicole**

Nursing  
Neosho



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<b>Lawhon, Nikki Jo *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Carthage	<b>Myers, Preston Lee</b> Nursing Webb City	<b>Rakes, Tiffany Alexander</b> Nursing Granby	<b>Sommer, Jennifer Jayne</b> Nursing Webb City
<b>Levy, Terry Javon</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin	<b>Niebaum, William Lucas</b> Management Technology (MIMS) Webb City	<b>Ramsey, Margaret Mary</b> Nursing Monett	<b>Spencer, Jennifer Lee</b> Health Science Monett
<b>Lopardo, John Wesley</b> Management Technology (MIMS) Wentworth	<b>Nielson, Joseph Brian</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin	<b>Robinson, James Albert *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Republic	<b>Spencer, Teresa Belle *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Sheldon
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<b>Lowry, Tracy Leigh</b> Nursing Seneca	<b>Ogden, Arin L. *</b> Health Science Lamar	<b>Sanders, Angela Dawn</b> Nursing Neosho	<b>Stephens, Vanessa N.</b> Nursing Joplin
<b>Maynard, Heather Shavonne</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin	<b>Olsen, Eric J.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Carterville	<b>Sanders, Robert A.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Reeds Spring	<b>Stewart, Robert J.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Tulsa, OK
<b>McDaniel, Christopher Charles</b> Criminal Justice Administration Carl Junction	<b>Owsley, Kathryn Lara</b> Criminal Justice Administration Grandview	<b>Schroeder, Robin Michael</b> Criminal Justice Administration Computer Forensics Joplin	<b>Stratton, Christopher E. *</b> Computer Information Science Computational Mathematics Joplin
<b>McIntosh, Darren Edward</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin	<b>Pachauri, Mudit *</b> Computer Information Science India Joplin	<b>Schroter, Jurgan P.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin	<b>Swadley, Jessica Kate</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin
<b>Miller, Ashley A.</b> Nursing Miami, OK	<b>Page, Jeramy Glenn</b> Computer Information Science Joplin	<b>Scott, Laura Ann</b> Health Science Springfield	<b>Sweeney, Michael Devin</b> Criminal Justice Administration Joplin
<b>Miller, Cara Lynn</b> Criminal Justice Administration Nevada	<b>Parker, Tracy Lynn</b> Nursing Lamar	<b>Scrivner, Stacie Marie</b> Health Science Battlefield	<b>Talbert, Kevin L.</b> Computer Information Science/Computational Mathematics Stella
<b>Miller, Cindi Sue</b> Nursing Joplin	<b>Penrose, Brandon James *</b> Criminal Justice Administration Springfield	<b>Shaffer, Tiffany A.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Lamar	<b>Taylor, Matthew W.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Springfield
<b>Miller-Franklin, Michele Angelique</b> Nursing Carl Junction	<b>Phillips, Megan Jill</b> Health Science Reeds	<b>Siebenaler, Sherry Lynn</b> Criminal Justice Administration Webb City	<b>Taylor, Nicole Dawn</b> Nursing Golden City
<b>Morgan, Joshua Samuel</b> Computer Information Science Computational Mathematics Joplin	<b>Pickup, Justin K.</b> Criminal Justice Administration Neosho	<b>Sisneros, Melodie Ann</b> Criminal Justice Administration Lamar	<b>Thomas, Kelly Casandra</b> Nursing Joplin
<b>Morgan, Lori Rachel</b> Nursing Joplin	<b>Prince, Dionne Latrice</b> Criminal Justice Administration Milwaukee, WI	<b>Slawinski, Kristine Marie *</b> Health Science Joplin	<b>Turner, Deborah Sue</b> Nursing Webb City



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**Updegraff, Amanda Nicole**

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**Vitrano, Jeffrey John**

Criminal Justice Administration  
Sayreville

**Wall, Sareta Rachel**

Nursing  
Granby

**Walters, Jessika Marie**

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Miami, OK

**Wardlow, Mike**

Nursing  
Joplin

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Management Technology (MIMS)  
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Carthage

**Witte, Michael Tyler**

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Plano, TX

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Nursing  
Joplin

**Zacny, Dana Leanne \***

Criminal Justice Administration  
Carl Junction

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**Brown, Shannon Marie**

General Studies  
Mesa, AZ

**Eckerman, Joshua Travis \***

General Studies  
Webb City

**Ford, Sharon J.**

General Studies  
Carthage

**Jones, Elise Jennifer**

General Studies  
Mt. Vernon

**Latham, Jeremy Deshon**

General Studies  
Bowling Green, KY

**Lee, Gerald Wayne**

General Studies  
Cartersville

**Martin, Nathan Eugene**

General Studies  
Joplin

**Mead, April D.**

General Studies  
Joplin

**Sbabo, Jessica Ann**

General Studies  
St. James

**Slatton, David W.**

General Studies  
Joplin

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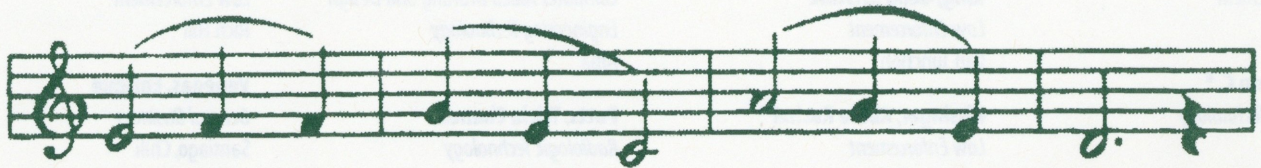
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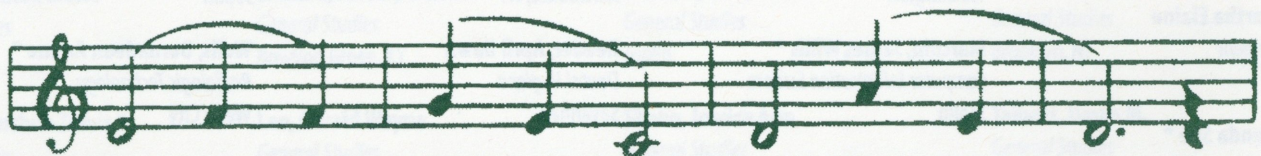
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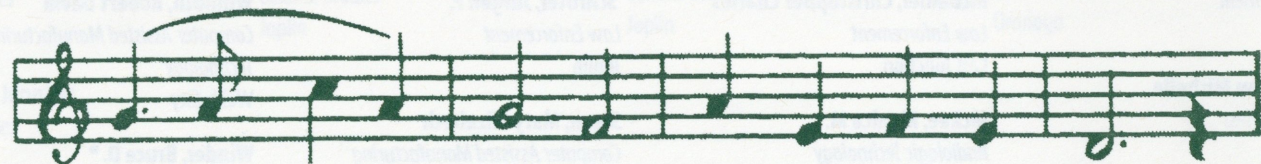
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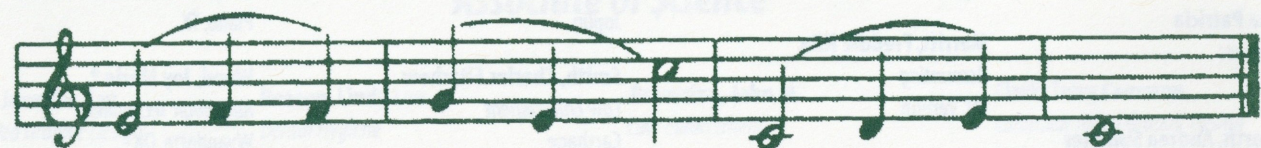
Our Al - ma Ma - ter, we ho - nor thee,



shap - ing and guid - ing our de - sti - ny.



Af - ter we have part - ed as the years roll by;



we'll keep each me - mo - ry hail, hail to thee.

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*Missouri Southern State University's "Alma Mater" was drafted during the Joplin Junior College second year by a group that included Mary Laird, Joan Epperson, Enos Currey, Ellen Beasley, and Emerson Jackson. Laird was principally responsible for the lyrics while Jackson set it to music. It was first sung during a Class-Day program in 1939.*



# Academic Attire

**A**s early as the twelfth century the first modern universities, at Bologna and Paris, were centers of European learning. The usual garb of the time, for both churchmen and laymen, was a long gown which was necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings of the day. Scholars, generally members of church orders, wore such robes and also hoods to protect their shaven heads. Later, skull caps were worn on the head, and the hood became a cape which could be pulled over the head in unpleasant weather. The hood was also sometimes used to collect alms from the more affluent members of the community. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adopted by their faculties. Variations indicated ranks within the institutions. Strict rules were published and in some cases punishment cited for tailors who departed from the authorized design.

The academic hat was a later development, adapted from the headdress of the ordinary people. Academically, it was originally worn as a symbol of the master's degree, and existed in various forms: some were round, some square and some had a tuft in the center. The flat, square "mortar board" of today originated at Oxford University in England.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King's College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council of Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, which was again reviewed and revised in both 1960 and 1965.

There are today three basic types of gowns and hoods. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. Recipients of the associate degrees wear gray gowns designed like the bachelor's gown. The master's gown is designed with an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist and with an arc cut away at the front of the sleeve. It may be worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown is of a full design with voluminous sleeves, and it also may be worn open or closed. Unlike the other two, the doctoral gown is faced down the front with velvet and with three velvet bars on the sleeves. These may be black or a color related to the subject of the degree. Thus, arts, letters and humanities may be white, business degrees may be drab or sapphire blue, education uses light blue, fine arts is brown, music is pink and science is golden yellow, to name a few.

The caps are always black, with a black tassel for baccalaureate degrees and a tassel of the color indicated above for master's. Doctoral caps usually have a tassel of metallic gold color.

The hoods worn by master's degree recipients are lined with the official colors of the institution awarding the degree. The binding and edging of the hood is silk or velvet in the color pertaining to the subject area. Doctoral hoods are longer and designed somewhat fuller, but the colors again are those of the institution granting the degree for the lining, and of the subject for the wide edging. There exists a small bachelor's hood, but generally it is not used in this country.

The hoods represented in our ceremony are a combination of colors from each of the collaborating institutions. Traditional colors and corresponding fields of study are:

<b>Brown.</b>	Fine Arts
<b>Crimson.</b>	Journalism
<b>Dark Blue:</b>	Philosophy
<b>Golden Yellow:</b>	Science
<b>Lemon Yellow:</b>	Library Science
<b>Light Blue:</b>	Education
<b>Pink:</b>	Music
<b>Purple:</b>	Law
<b>Sage Green.</b>	Physical Education
<b>Scarlet:</b>	Theology
<b>White:</b>	Arts, Letters, Humanities
<b>Yellow Brown.</b>	Commerce, Business, Accountancy



# Our Mission

Missouri Southern State University is a state-supported, comprehensive university offering programs leading to the bachelor's degree and selected master's degrees. Faithful to its original statutory charter, the University also offers continuing education courses and a number of two-year programs in technical and vocational areas for the benefit of the community.

The University's primary emphasis is the offering of a baccalaureate program that fosters the total education of each student. Central to that mission is a strong commitment to international education, to the liberal arts, to professional and preprofessional programs, and to the complementary relationship that must exist between liberal and professional education in order to prepare individuals for success in careers and lifelong learning.

Inherent in its international approach to undergraduate education is the University's desire to prepare its students to understand world affairs, international issues and other cultures as seen through their history, geography, language, literature, philosophy, economics and politics. Knowledge and understanding of other cultures of the world also promote better understanding of our own valuable cultural diversity.

Missouri Southern's commitment to the liberal arts is reflected in a comprehensive program of general education requirements for all students to ensure that they have a breadth of educational experiences which will enable them to develop communication and critical thinking skills and to acquire and apply aesthetic, contemporary, civic, international, historical, mathematical, scientific and value-oriented perspective.

The faculty and staff of Missouri Southern State University emphasize quality teaching and learning as the most important attributes of the University, complemented by scholarly and creative expression and dedicated community service. Community service involves responsiveness to the Southwest Missouri region as well as serving as the intellectual, creative and cultural center of the area.

In order to remain loyal to the trust given to the University by the people of the State of Missouri, Missouri Southern State University will:

- fulfill its mission and objectives in an honorable and ethical manner;
- periodically review its mission in light of contemporary changes in society and in the needs of the people of Missouri,
- continually assess the effectiveness of its programs in order to ensure their quality and integrity.